

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

FEBRUARY 16, 1858.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. CLAY submitted the following

REPORT.

*The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Jane Baker, widow of Thomas Baker, deceased, report:*

That this petition is for the pension which was granted to her late husband for naval services in the revolutionary war. This petition was first presented to Congress on the 13th of December, 1820, at which period the petitioner is said to have been an aged person. A period of nearly forty years has elapsed since the said petition was first presented, and as no other papers accompany the memorial, nor any evidence is adduced showing the propriety of the case, your committee report adversely to the memorialist.

If, however, the facts asserted in the petition were proven, the petitioner does not come within any class of pensioners, because her husband did not die in the service of the United States. The committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the prayer of the memorialist be not granted.

